## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 715 By Windle

A RESOLUTION to designate the week of September 10-16, 2000, as "Family Week" in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly designate the week of September 10-16, 2000, as "Family Week" in Tennessee in recognition that the institution that most affects our lives is the family; and

WHEREAS, statistics of child, spousal, and parental abuse are still alarmingly high as Tennessee and the world enter into the twenty-first century and the new millennium; and

WHEREAS, during the last decade of the twentieth century, and spilling over into the twenty-first century, the increase in violence in the lives of our children and youth has brought tears to the eyes of the people of our nation; and

WHEREAS, beginning in 1998, the third Saturday in September is traditionally designated "Children's Day" in Tennessee. This General Assembly would like to continue recognizing the importance of our state's families and children, and begin anew, as this is the first legislative session of the twenty-first century; now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the week in September which always precedes and includes the third Saturday in September, Sept. 10-16, 2000, is designated "Family Week" in Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Tennessee seeks to lead the way in encouraging other states in this great nation to proclaim September 10-16, 2000, as the annual "Family Week" in the United States of America.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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